

SURFICIAL GEOLOGY

OF THE

CAMPBELLTON 1° X 2° QUADRANGLE, MAINE

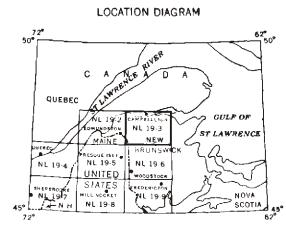
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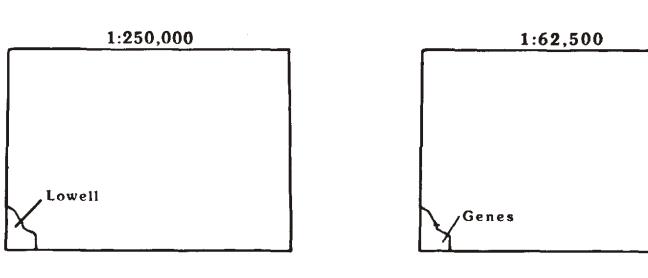
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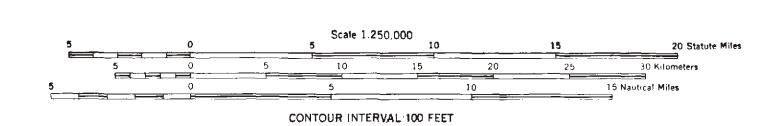
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EXPLANATION

| | | | _ | | | | | | | GEOLOGIC SYMBOLS | | |
|----|--|--|---|--|-------|--|---|--|---|-----------------------|--|--|
| | Geologic Unit | Materials | Topography | Origin | | Geologic Unit | Materials | Topography | Origin | | | |
| а | Stream alluvium (includes Holocene flood plain, stream terrace, and alluvial fan deposits) | Sand, gravel, and silt. | Flat to gently sloping on flood plains and stream terraces; gently to moderately sloping on alluvial fans. | Deposited on flood plains and stream beds by postglacial streams. | ge | Eskers | Gravel and sand. May include minor amounts of till. Portions of many eskers below the marine limit are partly | Individual or multiple ridges. Complex eskers may have anastomosing patterns and be gradational with other types of ice-contact deposits. | Chiefly deposited by meltwater streams flowing in tunnels within or beneath the late Wisconsinan ice sheet. Map unit also includes small undifferentiated | ~ | Contact Moraine ridge | Boundary between adjacent map units. Lines mark the crests of individual |
| s | Swamp, marsh, and bog deposits (includes both fresh-water and salt-water marshes) | Peat, muck, clay, silt, and sand. | Flat. | Formed by accumulation of sediments and organic material in depressions and other poorly drained areas. | | Stagnation moraine | or entirely buried by glaciomarine deposits. Mostly till, but also includes variable | Undulating topography with local | areas of units "g" and "go". Deposited during the dissipation of | | | -end moraines. Symbol also is used in conjunction with unit rm to show orientation of drift ridges of uncer- tain origin. |
| b | Beach deposits | Sand and gravel. | Gently to moderately sloping, with low ridges and mounds. | Includes beach sediments formed by wave and current action, and sand dunes derived from these deposits. | sm em | End moraines | percentages of undifferentiated sand and gravel. Till or sand and gravel. May be very | hummocks and ridges. Ridges. Commonly arcuate, discon- | stagnant glacial ice. Deposited in the marginal zone of the | 7 | Glacial striation locality | Includes striations, grooves, crag-and- tails, and other types of ice-flow indicators on bedrock outcrops. Dot indicates point of observation. Arrow- |
| eb | Emerged beach deposits | Sand and gravel. | Low ridges or sloping surfaces. May be associated with wave-cut benches on hillsides. | Formed by wave erosion of till or other materials during the late-glacial marine submergence of parts of southern Maine. | | | bouldery. Commonly interbedded with or overlain by glaciomarine sediments in areas that experienced late-glacial marine submergence. Only the largest end moraines and some dense clusters of | tinuous, and in groups. May be multi- crested and hummocky. Size range: 1-30 m high, 5-200 m wide, and 30 m to over 10 km long. | late Wisconsinan ice sheet, by glacial ice and/or meltwater flowing out of the ice. | | Glacially streamlined | head is omitted where ice-flow direc- tion is uncertain. Flags indicate older trends. |
| e | Eolian deposits | Sand. | Dune ridges and mounds, or blanket deposit that conforms to surface of underlying unit. | Windblown sand. Derived from wind erosion of glacial sediments and deposited in late-glacial to postglacial time. | | smaller ones are shown here as a separate unit (em). Elsewhere, short lines mark the crests of moraine ridges, which are locally so numerous that only selected individuals are represented. | | | Q | landform | drumlins, fluted till ridges, roches moutonnees, and other hills that have been elongated parallel to the flow of glacial ice. | |
| | Lake-bottom deposits | Silt, clay, and sand. Commonly well stratified, and may be rhythmically bedded. | Flat to gently sloping except where dissected by modern streams. | Composed of sediments that washed out of late Wisconsinan glacial ice and accumulated on the floors of glacial lakes. Map unit may also include a few non-glacial lake deposits. | rm | Ribbed moraine | Till is the principal constituent, but stratified sediments are present in some of the deposits. | Numerous hummocks and short sub-parallel ridges which typically occur in lake basins and other lowland areas. | Origin uncertain. Deposited either at the margin of or beneath the late Wisconsinan ice sheet. | ٥ | Cirque | Steep-walled, semicircular bedrock basin formed by glacial erosion in high mountainous areas. |
| m | Glaciomarine deposits (fine-grained facies) | Silt, clay, sand, and minor amounts of gravel. Commonly a clayey silt (the Presumpscot Formation). Sand is dominant in some places, but may be underlain by finer grained sediments. Locally fossiliferous. Map unit includes small areas of till and other units that are not completely covered by marine sediments. | stream gullies. | Composed of glacial sediments that accumulated on the ocean floor. Formed during the late-glacial marine submergence of lowland areas in southern Maine. | t | Till | Heterogeneous mixture of sand, silt, clay and stones. May include many boulders. Generally massive, but in many places contains beds and lenses of variably washed and stratified sediments. | Generally a blanket deposit that conforms to the underlying bedrock topography. Also forms drumlins and other glacially streamlined hills. | Deposited directly by glacial ice. | * | Meltwater channel | Channel eroded by glacial meltwater stream. Arrow indicates known or inferred direction of stream flow. |
| | | | | | | | | | | ▲ 288 | Glaciomarine delta | Number indicates surveyed altitude (in feet) of contact between topset and foreset beds, or of meltwater channel on delta surface, which approximately marks position of sea level in late-glacial time. |
| ms | Glaciomarine deposits (coarse-grained facies) | Sand, gravel, and minor amounts of silt. | Flat to moderately sloping. Steeper on ice-contact slopes and delta fronts. May be kettled where deposited over stagnant ice blocks. | Deposited where glacial meltwater streams and currents entered the sea. Includes glaciomarine deltas, subaqueous kames and fans (subaqueous outwash), and outwash that prograded into shallow marine waters and locally covered earlier glaciomarine silt and clay deposits. | | Thin drift | Area of many bedrock outcrops and/or thin surficial deposits (generally less than 3 m thick). The type of surficial material is known or inferred. | Topography of these areas reflects the configuration of the bedrock surface, and ranges from smooth undulating hills to knobby terrain and high mountains. | Commonly the result of non-deposition of glacial sediments, but the surficial materials in some coastal areas have been largely removed by marine erosion | △ 343 △ 269 | Glaciolacustrine delta Delta of uncertain origin | Number indicates approximate altitude (in feet) of former glacial-lake surface. |
| | | | | | tdu | Thin drift, undifferentiated | Area of many bedrock outcrops and/or near-surface bedrock where the surficial materials have not been mapped. | Same as other thin-drift areas. | in late-glacial time. Same as other thin-drift areas. | | | Delta formed near limit of late-glacial marine submergence. Number indicates approximate altitude (in feet) of contact between topset and foreset beds. |
| go | Glacial outwash deposits | Sand and gravel. | Flat to gently sloping. Steeper on ice-contact slopes and delta fronts. May be kettled where deposited over stagnant ice blocks. | Deposited by meltwater streams in front of the receding late Wisconsinan ice margin. Includes non-marine outwash plains, deltas, and fans. | rk | Bedrock | Area of extensive bedrock outcrop, or where the bedrock has only a thin cover of soil and vegetation. Surficial deposits are essentially absent. Particularly common on the ridge crests | Hilly to mountainous terrain. | Same as the thin-drift areas. | | | |
| g | Ice-contact glaciofluvial deposits (exclusive of eskers) | Sand, gravel, and silt. | Flat-topped kame terraces and deltas which are locally kettled and bounded by steep sides, or hummocky terrain with numerous kames and kettles. | Deposited by meltwater streams adjacent to stagnant glacial ice. | | | and steeper slopes of mountainous areas. | | | | | |
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SITES OF SPECIAL INTEREST

Location of special site

This list includes locations of important stratigraphic sections of Pleistocene deposits in Maine, and places where good examples of certain glacial features can be seen. The sites were selected partly on the basis of accessibility, ease of observation, and relative permanence. Some features, such as eskers and DeGeer moraines, are so numerous that only a few of the best examples are included here.

Name/Description

No sites identified on this map

Principal References

RADIOCARBON-DATED SITES

Explanation of symbols used to designate sites on the map:

- Material in place between late Wisconsinan tills.
- Material that predates or is contemporaneous with the advance of the late Wisconsinan ice sheet.
- Material that postdates or is contemporaneous with the recession of the late Wisconsinan ice sheet.
- Material that approximately dates the onlap of the sea during the late-glacial marine transgression.

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